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Response Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 3700
PATENT

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 056409-5046-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Paul Gaudron)	Confirmation No. 4904
)	
Application No.: 10/099,692)	Group Art Unit: 3728
)	
Filed: March 15, 2002)	Examiner: L. Bui
)	
For: NAIL HOLDER STRIP)	

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Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2004.
2. Additional papers enclosed:

Terminal Disclaimer
 Drawings: Formal Informal (Correction)
 Information Disclosure Statement
 Form PTO-1449, _____ references included
 Declaration of Biological Deposit
 Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

Total Months Requested	Fee for Extension	[Fee for Small Entity]
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 740.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$0.00.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

4. Constructive Petition

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	36	minus	44	0	x \$18 each=	+ \$ 0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	4	minus	5	0	x \$86 each=	+ \$ 0.00
[] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s)					\$290.00	+ \$ 0.00
SUB-TOTAL =						\$ 0.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						- \$ 0.00
TOTAL FEE =						\$ 0.00

6. Fee Payment

No fee is to be paid at this time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$ _____ for the additional claims fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: July 15, 2004

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2004, the period for response to which extends through July 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: